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Residence and Vehicle of Daniel Seth Franey

Case No. MJ16-5023

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## ATTACHMENT A Places to be Searched

- 1. Residence of Daniel Seth Franey, located at 25 Fairbairn Road, Montesano, Washington, including any sheds and/or outbuildings on this property. The property is further described as: a blue/green, single-story family residence on 2.05 acres of land. There are also two outbuildings/sheds that have been observed on the property, located on the westernmost portion of the property. There also may be other outbuildings, including a possible pump house.
- 2. 1997 Lincoln Town Car, bearing Washington license plate B00263K and VIN 1LNLM81W3VY705883, registered to Daniel Seth Francy.

## ATTACHMENT B Items To Be Searched For And Seized

The items to be searched for and seized are the following items or materials that may contain evidence of the commission of, the fruits of, or property which has been used as the means of committing the offenses of Unlawful Possession of a Firearm, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(8), and Possession of a Machinegun, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(o):

- a. Items of dominion and control of the premises, to include utility bills, telephone bills, correspondence, business/financial records, and identification documents.
- b. Weapons (including but not limited to firearms and explosives) and ammunition, as well as accessories and equipment associated with weapons (including but not limited to equipment for cleaning and maintaining weapons, magazines, scopes, silencers, holsters, and carrying cases).
- c. Records or documents relating to the defendant's legal prohibition against possessing firearms, including but not limited to court orders and pleadings related to past legal proceedings.
- d. Materials related to the defendant's stated motivation (as described in the attached affidavit) to possess firearms, including but not limited to materials about ISIS and alleged atrocities committed by the United States military overseas, and materials related to plans to attack a military facility and/or kill law enforcement officers or employees of the U.S. government.
- e. Address books, directories, or contact lists.
- f. Cellular phones and/or smart phones, to be searched *only* for the following:
  - Assigned number and identifying telephone serial number (ESN, MIN, IMSI, or IMEI);
  - Stored list of recent received, sent, and missed calls;
  - Stored contact information;
  - Stored photographs, including any embedded GPS data associated with those photographs;
  - Stored text messages;
  - Stored information relating to historical internet usage, including but not limited to stored URL information; and
  - Stored historical locator data, including GPS and cell site data.

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I, Joseph C. Deaver, having been duly sworn, state as follows:

#### **AFFIANT BACKGROUND**

I am a Special Agent with the Federal Protective Service ("FPS"). I have been employed by FPS in a law enforcement capacity for approximately twelve years. More specifically, I served for five years as an FPS uniformed police officer and for the past seven years as a Special Agent. Since August 2014, I have been assigned to the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI") Joint Terrorism Task Force ("JTTF"), Seattle Division, in Tacoma, Washington. At the JTTF, I work with a team of federal, state, and local law enforcement agents and officers on investigations relating to domestic and international terrorism. As a result of my training and experience, I am familiar with tactics, methods, and techniques used by terrorist organizations and their members, and by individuals seeking to join or engage in acts on behalf of terrorist organizations. I have also conferred with other FBI Special Agents and FBI JTTF Task Force Officers who have expertise and experience in counterterrorism investigations.

#### **INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF AFFIDAVIT**

I make this Affidavit in support of an application for warrants to search the premises of the residence of Daniel Seth Franey, located at 25 Fairbairn Road, Montesano, Washington, and a 1997 Lincoln Town Car, bearing Washington license plate B00263K and VIN 1LNLM81W3VY705883, registered Daniel Seth Franey, for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This residence is a blue/green, single-story family residence on 2.05 acres of land. There are also two outbuildings/sheds that have been observed on the property, located on the westernmost portion of the property. There also may be other outbuildings yet to be observed, including a possible pump house. This warrant seeks permission to search the primary residence as well as any and all outbuildings and/or sheds on the property.

evidence of the offenses of Unlawful Possession of Firearms, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(8), and Possession of Machineguns, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(o).

The facts set forth in this Affidavit are based upon my personal observations, my training and experience, my review of pertinent documentation, and information I have obtained from other investigating law enforcement personnel as well as witnesses. This Affidavit is intended to show merely that there is sufficient probable cause for the requested warrants and does not purport to set forth all of my knowledge of or investigation into this matter. Unless specifically indicated otherwise, all conversations and statements described in this Affidavit are related in substance and in part only.

#### **SUMMARY OF PROBABLE CAUSE**

On this same date, I executed an affidavit in support of a Criminal Complaint in the matter of *United States v. Daniel Franey*. The Criminal Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit 1, and is hereby adopted and incorporated as if set forth fully herein. The events in the Criminal Complaint focused on matters occurring on and before November 13, 2015. This affidavit provides additional and more recent information related to the charges alleged against Franey, regarding his continuing and persistent efforts to obtain firearms from UC1 and other persons; Franey's stated motives for obtaining the firearms; and Franey's statements about how he wants to use the firearms, specifically, among other things, to kill federal and local law enforcement officers and to conduct a potential attack against a U.S. military facility.

#### A. Franey's Erratic Behavior in late November/early December 2015.

Based on a series of police contacts and physical surveillance observations in late November and early December 2015, it became apparent that Franey was beginning to act increasingly erratic.

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On November 24, 2015, a concerned citizen in Montesano called 911 and reported that Franey arrived at his/her house and said he was "checking on the house for [a] brother." Franey also told the reporting citizen that he "wanted to make sure he wasn't with the feds."

On November 27, 2015, Grays Harbor County Sherriff's Department deputies responded to Franey's residence with regards to a disturbance. According to the police reports, Franey spoke with the officers and made several comments, including that: their police uniforms represented oppression; he knows he is under surveillance by the FBI and CIA; he does not have any weapons and does not know how to make bombs; and he used to be in the military but he refused to follow orders so he eventually deserted.

While the police were at his house on November 27<sup>th</sup>, Franey spoke to UC1 over the telephone. Franey said he told the police to stay out "on the edge" of his property, and then stated:

I'm letting you know, like. Look dude, if you think I'm gonna trust you ever again, you better put something in my hands, and I'm talking — I don't care if it's a handgun, a shotgun, whatever. Man, this is my family. Next time we hang out, I wanna get — Next time you come, or next time I see you, just for the sake of decency, I want something in my hands. Just for myself and my children. . . . I'm letting you know this is the condition, right here, bro.

Shortly after the police departed his residence on November 27<sup>th</sup>, Franey spoke again with UC1 over the telephone. UC1 asked Franey what happened with the police. Franey stated, "They're trying to get information, and any brothers that try and like, support the right thing, they try and say they're crazy, they try and talk 'em out of it, they try and use 'em as bait. They do all these types of things." Franey further stated, "This is gonna end quickly for these people, if they don't get it together. And, I mean, that could be a hundred years or whatever, but. .." Franey continued by saying, "[A]ll these other brothers, we just wanna leave, and they won't let us. So, it's like, well, you better leave us alone." Franey then ranted about "pig feds" and stated, "And you know what, I don't

On November 30, 2015, UC1 and Franey spoke again over the telephone. Franey

On December 1, 2015, Franey went to the non-operational Satsop Nuclear Power

told UC1 that his power was turned off because he didn't pay the electric bill. Franey

bill by credit card.<sup>2</sup> UC1 said he would take it out of "what I was gonna pay you for

Plant and had contact with an employee, who regarded the incident as suspicious and

located near Franey's home. The plant has two large cooling towers that were designed

to house nuclear operations, but the plant was never completed and the towers are non-

approximately 3:30 p.m., the employee observed Franey's vehicle driving slowly through

one of the facility's parking lots. The vehicle eventually drove towards the employee and

Franey exited the vehicle. Franey asked the employee if there were any restaurants at the

facility, to which the employee said there were none. Franey asked if the employee knew

anything about a plastics facility at the plant, and the employee told him there was a

functional. The employee was working at the power plant on December 1<sup>st</sup>. At

reported it to local law enforcement authorities. The Satsop Nuclear Power Plant is

work next week," referring to a potential upcoming firearms delivery trip.

said he needed \$160.00 to get his power turned back on. UC1 agreed to pay the electric

know when it's gonna happen, but one of these stupid idiots is gonna walk up to me on 2 the wrong fucking day. This goes for anyone. Either in the mosque, outside of the 3 mosque. Uniformed or ununiformed." UC1 advised Franey to "be careful," and Franey 4 assured UC1, "I didn't act too crazy, I really didn't."

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nearby mill that made siding out of recycled plastic and woods chips. Franey then asked whether the cooling towers were operational, and the employee stated they were not. <sup>2</sup> As referenced in this telephone call, UC1 paid \$160 for Francy's electric bill on November 30,

<sup>2015.</sup> At Franey's request, UC1 also paid \$160 for Franey's electric bill on December 14, 2015. In addition to these payments, UC1 provided Franey with \$140 cash on October 15, 2015, for use in paying bills and for general subsistence. UC1 also provided Franey with two cell phones to use and paid for the service for those phones, and UC1 allowed Franey to keep one of the cots and sleeping pads they used during the camping trip on November 12-13, 2015.

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Franey also asked whether the facility made power, and the employee answered it did not. Franey then thanked the employee for his time, and then departed the area.

The next night, on December 2, 2015, police officers responded to a call from a complainant who reported that Franey had been pounding on the door to their residence for ten minutes, and then departed, stating he would be "back during the daylight." The officers went to Franey's residence to speak with him about the incident. Franey told the officers that he had gone to the neighbor's house to spread the word of the Muslim religion. Franey further stated that the governments of the world needed to fall, and that law enforcement officers should "sit back" when they start fighting against the governments. The officers told Franey they would sit back if Franey did so peacefully, but would have to intercede if Franey was doing this in the wrong way. Franey replied that if the police interceded, "it would become very messy." Franey also told the officers that he believed there would someday be "a federal stand-off at my house."

On both December 1 and 2, 2015, Franey was observed looking at firearms-related items at a hardware store in Aberdeen, Washington. Specifically, on December 1<sup>st</sup>, Franey went to the hardware store and was viewing airsoft pistols/rifles and firearm ammunition. Franey made an unrelated purchase on his way out of the store. The next day, Franey went back to the same hardware store and viewed firearm ammunition and rifle scopes. On this occasion, Franey purchased a circuit breaker as he left the store.

Another concerned citizen contacted the Grays Harbor County Sheriff's

Department to report a suspicious incident involving Franey that occurred in early/midDecember 2015. The citizen is an employee at a business that Franey frequents.

According to the citizen, Franey visited the business and had a conversation with the
owner, during which Franey was expressing his "typical jihadist, extremist" beliefs.

Franey also told the owner that he (Franey) would be changing his name soon, and would
no longer be known as "Muhammed." Franey told the owner that "when Islam activates
a person," they then have to change their name. Franey made no mention of a specific
time frame when he would be "activated" or would change his name.

#### B. Meeting on December 3, 2015.

On December 3, 2015, UC1 and another undercover officer (one of UC1's "customers") met with Franey at his residence. During this meeting, UC1 told Franey that he was extremely angry because his brother recently had been beaten by police officers in California "for no reason." UC1 further stated that he was starting to come around to Franey's way of seeing things. As they continued to talk, Franey claimed he told "every local cop, 'We'll cut your head off if you don't help us or stay out of the way." Franey added, "The Islamic State is here, period."

They discussed the recent terrorist attack in San Bernadino, California, and Franey stated, "Allah will know if this was even Muslims who did it. Now obviously for me, I have different targets. I mean . . . we have high, high, lofty goals." Franey also referenced his continued interest in acquiring firearms from UC1, stating: "Basically, I haven't been able to talk to the brothers about money, but if we can get money, I mean, like, whatever you guys have."

Franey later stated, "This has to end. . . . It's just gotta be the right few." Franey referenced that the Koran talks about "a group of just a few" overtaking a large army "with the help of Allah." Franey further stated, "It's out of line, it must be stopped. . . . You can't feel bad when you put up your sights on these cops, these feds, these SWAT teams, these riot police, these FBI guys, these soldiers, you cannot have compassion for them. They have made the wrong decision. . . . Some people were only created for the fire." Shortly thereafter, Franey stated, "That judge the other day, I could have cut his head off.³ But I don't want to just cut one judge's head off. . . . I want to cut a lot of judges' heads off."

Franey told the UCs, "Now, if you wanna actually talk about actually doing this, man. You know, we just need some guys and some tools, man. It's revolution time." UC1 replied, "I'm there." UC1 further stated that he was ready to go kill some "cops."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Earlier in this conversation, Franey had been expressing animosity towards a judge who had presided over some sort of family law matter involving Franey.

Franey replied: "I wish that I was at that level of iman . . . I don't feel too comfortable with Allah with my own self. But I know I would be willing to go fight. But let's be effective with this. You know you want to be effective with this." Franey stated that if he was in UC1's position and his brother had been beaten, "I would probably do it for the sake of Allah." But Franey advised UC1 to wait for his brother to get out of the hospital and then "maybe he'll [the brother] do it with you and maybe you'll have an Army." Later in the conversation, UC1 stated, "I don't know if I can wait."

Franey discussed in general terms various types of attacks they could commit in the future against military targets if they had a large group of people. Franey stated, "This could happen, but we don't have any tools." UC1 replied, "Tools are not a problem." A few minutes later, Franey stated: "We're the least respected terrorist cell. But honestly, we're the scariest one because we speak the truth and we're ready to fight. And a lot of brothers might be ready to fight, and a lot of brothers might be speaking the truth, but they're not ready to fight and speaking the truth." Franey later added, "I don't know any other way to say it. I'm speaking in plain English. If you guys know anyone that's a man, who loves God, if you know anyone who wants to become a Muslim and kill some people. . . . This is not gonna end any other way." UC1 replied, "You don't gotta convince me." Franey said, "We're past the planning stage. . . . It's easy enough."

In discussing his views of jihad, Franey stated that Muslims cannot "go raping" and cannot kill "kids or innocent people." UC1 asked how, then, Franey justified the attacks in Paris. Franey rhetorically asked about the victims, "Were they innocent?" and then explained that they were "of age people" who were partying in Paris and their country killed Muslims, so "their thoughts were not with the Muslims." Franey further asked, "How many innocent children died that same day in the Muslim world? Were killed by those countries?" Franey also expressed doubt that "the brothers there" (ISIL) committed the Paris attack.

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A few moments later, for the first time, Franey referenced an upcoming military gathering in the nearby town of Ocean Shores, Washington, that he considered to be a good target for an attack:

There's a few spots around here, too, that wouldn't be bad to hit, you know. They put the generals and colonels up a few weeks out of the summer at this place north of Ocean Shores, this big resort. . . . They rent out this huge resort for all these colonels and generals to come party at. . . . We could kill them all.<sup>4</sup>

UC1 said, "That sounds better than a base, to me." Franey replied, "A lot easier. . . . There's a lot of options." Later in the conversation, Franey stated, "If we wanna hit that, it'd be a summertime deal. . . . There is some preparing to do, right? . . . But, I mean, I wouldn't mind if we didn't let another summer go by where that officer meeting got jacked up. . ." Later in the conversation, UC1 asked Franey, "How many people do you think would come to the table for this, this place you were talking about?" Franey replied, "Oh, the generals and colonels? [] Enough to deal with them." UC1 asked, "Do you think so?" Franey responded, "You and me could deal with them, with guns. It's a bunch of colonels getting drunk. No guns, no guards." UC1 said it would be good to "plan it out better . . . because you want to be effective, right?" Franey replied, "These are the people making the decisions. Highly effective. Highly effective."

At the end of the meeting, Franey encouraged UC1 to take things slowly (in response to UC1's comments about his anger over his brother's beating and not wanting to "wait"). Franey assured UC1 that "paradise is waiting . . . but you don't know how much more you could be getting if you wait a little while." UC1 reiterated that he was "ready." Franey replied, "I hear that. . . . Slowly, slowly, man. Your brother, you know, nurture and teach []. I mean, I'm not trying to hold you back, I wanna go too, but, I don't have any means. These people . . . crying because they don't have the money to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Franey appears to be referencing a particular facility located in Pacific Beach, Washington, which has a campground, RV park, and other facilities that are accessible only to active military members, reservists, retirees, and people otherwise associated with the military.

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go or the weapons. This is our condition right now." UC1 answered, "We can talk about that later." Franey and UC1 made plans to meet for lunch over the next few days.

#### C. Meeting on December 5, 2015.

On December 5, 2015, UC1 met for lunch with Franey. During the meeting, and after Franey had discussed many of his previously articulated radical views about ISIL and jihad, UC1 stated that he was "ready," referencing a potential attack. Franey said, "I've been in up to here since I became Muslim." UC1 said, "It's like, when?" A few minutes later, UC1 said, "I kind of like the idea about that retreat. To be honest with you, that seems like a cake-walk." Franey replied: "All I know is, they get together in the summer at a resort. . . . And this resort, it's filled up with generals and generals, and stuff – captains. These are all educated, so they've gone to college and they've made their decisions." Franey explained that the generals are the ones responsible for the arms deals and who are on CNN requesting additional weapons.

After eating lunch, UC1 and Franey went to sit in UC1's vehicle to continue talking. UC1 asked where the military retreat was located. Franey replied:

It's not far from here. And it's – they've only got one road, main road, which is the coast road. Not very heavily travelled and easily shut off. . . . They'd be nothing dude. I mean, ten guys or something. Literally, right? I mean, it'd be easy, right? A bunch of generals and captains, even if it's only a couple dozen, that's worth it. . . . We find out when this party is. I mean, we don't need a lot of guys for this. We can go in and out if we wanted. . . . There'll be no live shooting, if there was still live shooting it'll be cops dropping. I mean, however you guys wanna do it.

UC1 said they needed to "do it right." Franey responded that he would "bring 100 brothers or 50," and UC1 could bring 50 brothers. UC1 said he already has people who would participate. Franey replied, "I can bring some people." Franey further stated, "It's exciting. I've been waiting on this forever, man. . . . I mean, it is time to hit 'em. And the brothers – there's strategies of war, and one of 'em is, you know, hit 'em and hit 'em and hit 'em ..."

Later on December 5, 2015, Franey exchanged the following text messages with UC1, during which he once again requested a firearm from UC1:

Franey: I was serious about leaving something for me and my family but

whatever maybe it's the *qadr* of Allah

UC1: I'm not sure what you are asking me. Forgive me. Brother, are you

referring to needing wood and the paying of your electrical bill? If so, I thought you meant you would need that after work next week.

Franey: No [] nothing like man forgive these are tense times they want all

America to be packing but not for any sane reason to shoot Muslim's

[sic] if they fill [sic] like it.

UC1: Forgive me. I understand now. I am concerned about that. First, I

don't get them until I pay or get fronted and then I have to

immediately pay back from what I get. . . . I am not going to take

any chances that could ruin that. Meaning, you and I are not supposed to have those. If we get caught with any between now and

when we make ou[r] move, it ruins everything. Please delete this

text after you read it.

#### D. Meeting on December 19, 2015.

On December 19, 2015, UC1 met with Franey and discussed, among other things, Franey's previously articulated idea of attacking the military retreat. Franey began this discussion by using the word "pray" as code for conducting an attack. Specifically, he told UC1: "The sooner the better. I want to go pray, too. Just need a few guys. We just need a couple-few guys and we can go pray." UC1 replied, "I can go pray on my own, bro. I wanna go pray at a retreat. The people sit back fat and sweaty with a cigar. . . . ." Franey answered, "It has to be done. Someone has to do it. It's something that without a doubt would be pleasing to god. If you did it, would be pleasing to god. There's no doubt about this." UC1 then stated, "As soon as I know that. When?" Franey replied, "When – I think only Allah knows. . . . When you seek certain knowledge, and then it becomes clear, you know it's clear."

Franey further stated, "I'm trying to find the date. I'm trying to find the best date, you know what I mean? . . . I'm trying to find the best date, all right?" UC1 replied, "Well, you let me know. And then we gotta find out . . . " Franey interrupted and stated, "That it's okay [with god]?" UC1 replied, "I need to know that, I need to know that without a doubt. But, there's nothing wrong with planning out your prayer. Finding out, you know, 'cause I don't know anything about it. Like, where it is, all that kind of stuff." Franey then stated, "When I heard about it, I said, 'Oh, save that one for a special occasion.' I mean, I'm not gonna try and, like, walk around and look at it, that's for sure. . . . Yeah, I've gotta get some information." UC1 replied, "You gotta know like, where to go, the best place to go, so you're not, you're not running into a wall. You know? 'Cause believe me, man, when I know it's right, and I know that —" Franey interjected, "You have a shot at being accepted." UC1 continued by saying that when he knows "the place, and I know certain information, it'll be done right." Franey advised UC1, "Don't you go do anything crazy without me, man. I'm serious."

#### E. Text Messages Between UC1 and Francy.

On December 24, 2015, Franey and UC1 exchanged the following text messages, during which Franey expressed his growing impatience and desire to move forward with violent action:

Francy:

Asalaamu alaikum wa rahmatullah akhi kafe howlick what's up its passed [sic] time to be in this game I'm getting a little annoyed at these government agencies and all the mainstream media bull shit I'm about burnt on this situation I'm seriously annoyed at all these loser idiots it's time to quit being pussies and stop with all the chitter chatter talking and squawking

UC1:

I have always loved your passion brother. Insha Allah we should take time and take a retreat and pray until then sabr. Remember, as you so smartly said, only so much can be truly understood in a text or phone discussion. [W]e can meet soon. . .

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On January 12, 2016, Franey and UC1 exchanged the following text messages, during which Franey again suggested he wanted to obtain firearms from UC1 and was looking for money to purchase them:

UC1:

[D]o you know anyone who wants a bed? I need \$ and may start

selling some stuff?

Franey:

[N]ot unless bed is code [for guns] but your welcome to stay here anytime and the mosque and [] I have an idea about some money []

everything will be fine.

On January 15, 2016, Franey sent a text message to UC1 stating, "Alhemdulilah passed [sic] time way passed [sic] time for action . . ."

#### F. Contacts Between UC1 and Francy in Late January 2016.

On January 28, 2016, UC1 and Franey spoke over the telephone and made plans to meet the following day. During the conversation, UC1 expressed frustration that Franey was "still suspicious" of him being a law enforcement officer. Franey replied, "I don't have nothing in my hands. I don't have nothing in my hands. And I told you a long time ago, I told you months ago . . . 'You better put something in my hands, or I will not be cool with you.'" Franey later stated, "I have money now, man. . . . The reality is, you know, it's 'go time,' man. I mean, for me." UC1 assured Franey that he no longer had any qualms about selling him firearms, and they agreed to talk about it further when they met the next day.

On January 29, 2016, UC1 and Franey spoke on the telephone while Franey was driving to meet with UC1. On several occasions during this conversation, Franey expressed that he was running out of patience and was ready to move forward with some violent action. For example, Franey said: "I'm not fit, honestly, to do much else right now. I'm just not fit to be with kids, with women, with coconuts, with Americans, I'm not fit to work. I'm not fit to do anything else." Franey further stated, "I do wanna kill agents really badly. . . . I just want pigs and cops and agents lined up in front of me, and I'll fight 'em." UC1 told Franey, "If you're serious, I'm serious." Franey replied, "They

can imprison me until whenever they want, but [] we're gonna be victorious. I know what's right. I just don't know if Allah is gonna accept me, but I'm still gonna make my effort." Towards the end of the conversation, Franey stated: "We don't know what Allah has decreed. We might not ever make it to the retreat, man. We might run into some guys tonight, man. You never know. . . . This is us sacrificing everything we have for the sake of Allah. . . . And there's no clearer time that this is necessary."

A short time later, Franey met with UC1. During this meeting, Franey again expressed a desire to engage in violence, telling UC1: "You know who I'm after – feds, pigs, politicians, bankers, policy makers, think tankers, the whole crew. . . . Anyone who's not furthering the black flag." UC1 asked, "When?" Franey replied, "I don't have anything in my hands [firearms], so I can't do anything." UC1 told Franey that he could get him – that night – a firearm like "the ones you used on the camping trip," but if Franey wanted "that shotgun" (referring to a Street Sweeper) it would take four or five days. Regarding the firearm UC1 had available that night, Franey asked whether it was the "compact one [AR-15] or the nostalgic one [AK-47]?" UC1 said it was the "compact one." Franey asked if it was "semi," and UC1 confirmed it was. Franey replied, "Oh yeah, that's fine with me. Save rounds." UC1 said he would sell it to Franey "at cost" for \$700. Franey replied, "That seems like a deal, man. I would take it."

Later in the conversation, UC1 asked if Franey also wanted him to try and get "the other one" over the next four or days. Franey asked, "Oh, the Street Sweeper? . . . Of course I want that." UC1 said it would cost \$1,200. Franey replied, "Yeah, that's fine. . . . Yeah, I would take both of 'em. Just in case I don't get to the hills and I gotta get through the streets and they're all blocked up. I'm gonna die, it doesn't matter. . . . I'm just worried if Allah accepts." Franey also asked for some "rounds" and "clips" for the firearms, and offered to pay extra money for them. UC1 said he would be willing to sell Franey both firearms and some magazines and ammunition at his cost of \$1,900. Franey agreed to this price.

UC1 asked if Franey wanted the AR-15 that night. Franey stated that he preferred to wait four or five days until UC1 had both firearms and then receive them at the same time. Franey explained that he did not want to have a firearm in his car that night along with his wife and children, and that he also was reticent to drive with a firearm because his vehicle tabs were expired. UC1 told Franey, "You need to tell me whether or not you're serious, 'cause I'm gonna sell it [the AR-15] if you're not." Franey replied, "No, I want it. I want the other one, too." Franey also asked whether the AR-15 could be converted to fully automatic, and commented, "I would like a selector switch, just in case." UC1 and Franey agreed to meet again in four or five days, and Franey assured UC1 he would have the \$1,900. UC1 told Franey not to "leave him hanging." Franey replied, "Since the beginning, I've wanted you to put something like this in my hands."

Also during this meeting, UC1 asked Franey if he had obtained any more information about the "military retreat." Franey stated, "We need to find out when it is and stuff like that. . . . To take out generals and colonels would be beautiful. It's a good one. Wake 'em up." UC1 told Franey to let him know if he finds out any additional information when they next meet.

A few hours after parting ways with UC1, as he was starting to drive back home with his family, Franey's vehicle was pulled over in a random traffic stop by a local police officer, who pulled the vehicle over because it had an expired registration and failed to use a turn signal. According to a police report, Franey was aggressive and belligerent with the officer during the traffic stop. Among other things, Franey made several comments regarding police oppression, and he said something in what sounded like Arabic and told the officer "it means ISIS." During the traffic stop and immediately thereafter, Franey placed three phone calls to UC1. During these conversations, Franey expressed extreme anger over getting pulled over by the police and also expressed veiled suspicion directed towards UC1 that the traffic stop had occurred.

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1 The following day, on January 30, 2016, UC1 and Franey had the following 2 exchange of text messages: 3 Franey: yeah flying knees and rear naked chokes huh after very little consideration I think you should go ahead with getting rid of that 4 hockey stick [firearm] and forgo ordering that other one because I just don't find the funds in the families budget right now for any 5 luxury items unless by the *qadr* of Allah [] you find yourself in a 6 position shortly where you can swing by and donate them as sadaqa 7 charity. 8 UC1: [] All okay? Why the change in not wanting to play hockey? I 9 already ordered the other stick. [] Nevermind. 10 Franey: [] we re Muslim's always ready to play hockey that comes standard 11 built to a Muslim but there is an abundance of hockey sticks to be head or taken and like I said after a short consideration irts just not 12 in the budget right now when their so abundant and with the pee on 13 feds and their underling cops salivating to fuck with me I don't need to give them a green light but if you do find yourself in a time of 14 plenty feel free to drop off anything 15 **ITEMS TO BE SEIZED** 16 The information contained in the Complaint and this affidavit supports the 17 requested warrant to search Franey's residence and vehicle for all of the evidence listed 18 in Attachment B ("Items to be Searched for and Seized"). UC1 met with Franey on 19 several occasions at Franey's residence, located at 25 Fairbairn Road, Montesano, 20 Washington. Many of the conversations concerning Franey's desire to acquire firearms 21 and his motivations for doing so took place inside of Franey's residence and/or 22 immediately outside of the residence. Moreover, Franey drove in his Lincoln Town Car 23 on several occasions to meet with UC1, and also drove the car on other relevant 24 occasions, such as when he visited the Satsop Nuclear Power Plant and when he twice 25 inspected firearms related items and ammunition at the hardware store in Aberdeen. 26 27 28

As described in the Complaint and this affidavit, Franey is known to have used several cellular telephones and/or smartphones in furtherance of the criminal activities alleged in the complaint. During the course of his contacts with UC1, Franey used at least three different smartphones to communicate with UC1. Franey used these smartphones to have oral conversations with UC1 (over the telephone), send and receive numerous text messages to and from UC1, and send numerous internet links and similar information to UC1 about ISIL and various alleged atrocities committed by the United States military overseas, all of which formed the basis for Franey's stated motivation to acquire firearms – in order to conduct a domestic attack against law enforcement officers and/or U.S. government and military personnel. Stored internet usage information on the smartphones is relevant to the investigation because it will constitute evidence of Franey's motivation to possess and acquire firearms. Stored locator data is relevant to the investigation because it will confirm Franey's whereabouts at various times relevant to this investigation, for example, during the times he visited the Satsop Nuclear Power Plant, the hardware store, and his meetings with UC1.

#### REQUEST FOR "NO KNOCK" AND ALL-HOURS WARRANT

I am requesting that the search warrant for Franey's residence be a "no knock" warrant, for the safety of the officers and the residents of the premises to be searched. I have reviewed the case law regarding no-knock search warrants, including *United States v. Combs*, 394 F.3d 739 (9<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2004), and *United States v. Bynum*, 362 F.3d 574 (9<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2004), which provides that exigent circumstances must exist to justify a law enforcement officer's entry without first knocking and announcing their presence. In this particular case, I believe that exigent circumstances exit to justify entry into the target premises without announcing police presence, for the following reasons:

Franey has repeatedly stated that he wants to attack, fight, and kill law
enforcement officers if and when they made entry into his residence.
 Moreover, he has specifically and consistently stated that he wants to kill
FBI agents and other federal authorities.

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- During the past two years, Franey has made consistent efforts to obtain firearms from his neighbors, UC1, and other sources. Although we believe Franey does not currently possess any firearms, this is by no means a certainty. For example, he recently has discussed trying to purchase AK-47s from sources other than UC1, and it is unknown whether he has successfully acquired any firearms. Franey has stated on numerous occasions that he would use any firearms in his possession to shoot and kill police officers making entry into his home.
- Franey regularly carries a large knife on his person that he could use to attack law enforcement officers during the execution of the search warrant. UC1 has witnessed Franey with this knife (the blade of which is 3-5 inches long) on several occasions. According to UC1, Franey typically carries the knife in pockets of a vest that he commonly wears. During two or three of the meetings with Franey, UC1 and/or other UCs had visual confirmation that Franey was carrying the knife. On other occasions, Franey referenced having the knife in his possession. During nearly all of his meetings with UC1, Franey was wearing the same vest, including meetings that took place inside of his home.

Similar concerns also serve as "reasonable cause" to execute the search warrants outside of the normal hours of 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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**CONCLUSION** Based upon the information set forth above, there is probable cause to believe that residence of Daniel Seth Franey, located at 25 Fairbairn Road, Montesano, Washington, and a 1997 Lincoln Town Car, bearing Washington license plate B00263K and VIN 1LNLM81W3VY705883, registered Daniel Seth Franey, contain evidence and fruits of the above described offenses. seph C. Deaver Special Agent, Federal Protective Service Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of February, 2016. THE HONORABLE KAREN L. STROMBOM United States Magistrate Judge 

# EXHIBIT 1 (CRIMINAL COMPLAINT)